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Applicant:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2003, Applicants hereby elect Group III (Claims 11-15, 21, 24, 29 and 36), drawn to a system for prosecution in the subject application in order to advance the prosecution of this application.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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